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NOTE FOR: Stanley Sporkin  
 General Counsel

FROM: [redacted]  
 Chief, Legislation Division

SUBJECT: Views Letter to OMB on Uniform Federal Procurement  
 System Legislative Package

1. Attached for your review and signature is a letter to James M. Frey, Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, Office of Management and Budget.

2. In this letter, the Agency objects to a package of bills which would implement the Uniform Federal Procurement System. The objections are, for the most part, reiterations of the objections stated in our previous letter, dated 3 December 1981, from you to Mr. Frey.

3. [redacted] drafted the letter in coordination with [redacted] of [redacted] division. The letter was also coordinated with the Office of Logistics.

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4. The last paragraph of the letter contains a rather strong statement to OMB regarding its failure to circulate its testimony on this issue to the Agency prior to its presentation to the Congress. When we questioned OMB on this point, we were told that Donald F. Sowle, the OMB official in question, had orally cleared it with the appropriate officials in the various agencies. When we checked with the Office of Logistics and the offices of the Director, Deputy Director, and Executive Director to determine whether or not they had been contacted by Sowle, however, the results were negative. Further, we received from the latter two offices considerable support for a strong letter to OMB on this point.

Attachment

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